

# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY



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## Situation Report

### Severe Storms

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### Storms of April 2, 2006

#### Situation:

Sunday April 2, 2006, several lines of severe storms and tornadoes swept across Missouri. Damage was centered in East Central Missouri and Southeast Missouri. These storms went on to hit Dyer County, Tennessee cutting a 25-mile swath. Tennessee officials announced that they discovered an additional victim raising the total for this storm to 28 deaths. A total of 28 deaths were recorded in the Central U.S., three of the 28 were in Missouri. Governor Blunt signed two executive orders on Monday (April 2, 2006) that will allow SEMA and other State resources (including Missouri National Guard Assets) to be used in response and recovery operations in Southeast Missouri. On April 4, 2006, Federal and State Officials met with Officials from Caruthersville and Pemiscot County and toured the impacted areas of the city and county. Federal and State combined Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) Teams will be conducting damage assessments within the next few days. The projected schedule is: Andrew, Dunklin and Stoddard Counties-Today, Ralls, Marion and New Madrid Counties-Tomorrow, St. Charles and St. Louis Counties-Friday, April 7, 2006. Governor Blunt directed the waiving of trip permits for registration and fuel be waived for commercial motor carriers engaged in intrastate disaster relief efforts in the counties of Andrew, Atchison, Cooper, Dunklin, Holt, Marion, Monroe, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Pettis, Ralls, Shelby, Stoddard, St. Charles and St. Louis. The executive order also suspends the federal regulatory requirements relating to drivers hours of service requirements. This will allow a more rapid acquisition of the necessary transportation resources to assist our citizens.

- 3 Confirmed Deaths 1 in Circle City (Stoddard County), 1 in Braggadocio (Pemiscot County), 1 in Castlewood State Park near Ballwin, Mo (St. Louis County), 26 injured and additional injuries are expected to be reported.
- Pemiscot County (Caruthersville) report that their primary issues continue to be security, potable water, and electricity. City and County officials have asked that the Law Enforcement support from State, and National Guard resources be extended to April 10, 2006. Potable water supplies are adequate with 2,079 cases of bottled water on hand along with 3,548 gallons of water at the Casino Aztar staging area. Anheisur-Busch distributor from Kennett has released 22 pallets of canned water and should arrive in Caruthersville later today. Department of Social Services also has another truckload of water coming from a food bank in Chicago, Illinois. The Caruthersville Public Works Director reported that things were "getting in good shape." Water pressure is up to 40 psi and the main water tower is up to 18 foot of water and rising. The electricity has been restored to the water plant and wastewater treatment plant. Power has been restored to many of the sewage lift stations, but some are still on generators. The utility people are concentrating on getting the substation west of Caruthersville up and running. About 1,600 people remain without power in the City. Debris clearance teams are working with the utilities to work the same areas and remains a high priority item for today. City of Caruthersville has requested portable shower units to supplement the shelter operation and cellular telephones to assist with communications. SEMA has provided vendor contact information to the City for both cell phones and shower units, expected delivery will be morning of 04/06/06.

The Caruthersville Schools have been highly damaged by the storms. The roof is gone from the High School. The school maintenance facility was destroyed. The Bus Barn is destroyed, but all the buses have survived (no

damages). Washington School is completely gone. The Elementary School suffered some roof damage, but they can fix it. School has been cancelled for the rest of the week and next week is "spring break." **A meeting of the School Board was held last night to determine how the schools would operate after spring break.**

Mayor of Caruthersville has requested SEMA to activate the SAVE Coalition (Structural Assessment and Visual Evaluation), which is comprised of volunteer engineers and architects to help determine the habitability of structures in Pemiscot County. SEMA has activated the SAVE Coalition and five teams of volunteers are on-site and will be evaluating the habitability of structures within Pemiscot County. Dunklin County has also requested use of the SAVE Coalition for some evaluation of structures along the Dunklin/Pemiscot County line. SAVE Coalition Coordinator has reported they have inspected over 100 buildings, (residential and outbuildings), in the city of Caruthersville and Pemiscot County. Will expand inspections into Dunklin County tomorrow (4/06/06), and expect to inspect 40- to 50 structures there. The SAVE Coordinator reports the assistance from the Missouri State Highway Patrol has been invaluable in completing these inspections. They are assisting with security and Global Positioning System coordinates of sites inspected. Four more teams of inspectors are needed in the disaster stricken area. SEMA is working to provide additional teams. With the additional teams, inspections may be completed early next week.

#### Joint FEMA/SEMA Damage Assessments

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##### Pemiscot County

Damage Assessment was completed April 5, 2006.

Residences: homes affected – **10**, minor damage-64, major damage-57, and destroyed-21 – Total **152** homes  
Businesses: minor damage- 12, destroyed-3 - Total 15 businesses

##### City of Curthursville

Damage Assessment was completed April 5, 2006.

**Residences: homes affected – 17, minor damage-219, major damage-202, and destroyed-205 – Total 643 homes**

**Businesses: major damage – 8, minor damage- 17, Total 25 businesses**

##### Dunklin County

Damage assessment was completed April 5, 2006

**Homes – Single family – affected – 6, minor damage-13, major damage-6, destroyed-3; Total – 28 homes**

**Mobile homes affected – 1, minor damage 1, major damage 3, destroyed 4; – Total 9 mobile homes**

**No businesses reported**

##### Andrew County

Damage assessment was completed April 5, 2006

**Homes – Single family – minor damage- 15, major damage- 15, destroyed-3; Total – 33 homes**

**Mobile homes destroyed 8; – Total 8 mobile homes**

**No businesses reported**

Pettis County

Damage assessment was completed April 4, 2006 with 61 homes and 3 businesses damaged or destroyed.

Homes – Single family – minor damage-52, major damage-3, destroyed-1, mobile homes/minor 5 – Total 61 homes

Businesses – Minor damage- 2, destroyed-1, Total 3 businesses.

Stoddard County

**Damage assessment was completed April 5, 2006**

**Homes – Single family – affected – 7, minor damage- 28, major damage- 1, destroyed- 1; Total – 37 homes.**

**Mobile homes minor damage - 2; – Total 2 mobile homes**

**Businesses – Minor damage- 15, major damage - 2, Total 17 businesses**

State Actions:

- ❑ The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) has been activated at Level I. SEMA Southeast MO Area Coordinator on site in Pemiscot County, other Area Coordinators maintaining contact with local officials.
- ❑ Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) dispatching officer(s) for security detail to Caruthersville, Pemiscot County. 68 officers from MSHP and other state agencies were in Pemiscot overnight. Missouri State Water Patrol has assigned 10 officers to assist the security details in Pemiscot County. Ten Conservation agents have been released from disaster duty in the effected area. Fifty-one National Guardsmen are on duty assisting the local authorities and will remain in the area until Monday, April 10, 2006.
- ❑ Missouri Division of Fire Safety reports that two tankers remain on scene until adequate pressure can be maintained in the water system. Some administrative people remain on loan from District C under the Fire Mutual Aid Compact.
- ❑ The Department Health and Senior Services deployed staff to Caruthersville because the local Public health offices were impacted by the tornadoes. Seven staff are inspecting shelter and feeding stations, evaluating food service facilities, evaluating impacted lodging facilities, issuing food safety guidance and ensuring delivered bulk water supplies are potable
- ❑ Department of Natural Resources is assisting with drinking water for the communities of Caruthersville, Deering and Braggadocio. DNR is providing technicians to Caruthersville to advise regarding sewage systems and drinking water systems. DNR has issued open burning waivers for the storm damage of March 29 through April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Storm debris, including vegetation may be burned without permit until July 4, 2006, with the exception of St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties, whose waiver is good until April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- ❑ The Department of Social Services (DSS) is coordinating water and mass care issues. DSS has deployed a liaison to the SEOC. DSS has coordinated with America Second Harvest and associated Food Banks to arrange bottled water shipments and to arrange for additional bulk food shipments if required. DSS is coordinating with the major mass care partner agencies (Red Cross, Southern Baptist and Salvation Army
- ❑ Farmer's needs should be reported to Missouri Department of Agriculture.

Other State Agency and Volunteer Agency Actions:

- The American Red Cross is running a shelter at the Community Center in Caruthersville. A second shelter is on standby. They are preparing a second shelter to be in the Old Armory at Caruthersville. ARC has five damage assessment teams in the City. Forty people sheltered at the Red Cross shelter. Shelter registrations were up to 199 individuals. American Red Cross has two Emergency Response Vehicles (ERVs) on scene. Two additional ERVs are arriving from out of state. Additional paid and volunteer staff are arriving. An operational headquarters team is in place. A Red Cross service center is being established at the First United Methodist Church.

- Americorps Emergency Response Team of 20 team members are on scene and coordinating the human services in the EOC. The team is assisting with coordination in Caruthersville, Braggadocio and rural Pemiscot County. AmeriCorps is working with many agencies in providing clean up. They are assisting some of the local homeowners with tarping their damaged roofs.
- Southern Baptist Relief Services has established a fixed feeding site in Hayti on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> and is providing chain saw crews for debris clearing on private property.
- Salvation Army has three canteen service units serving in Caruthersville and surrounding areas. Salvation Army is assisting with donations and other human needs.
- A multi-agency service center (MARC) is being established.
- A logistics point of distribution (POD) is established at the Catholic Church.
- Compassion Alliance is helping with logistics.
- All human services agencies are being asked to coordinate with the Human Services unit in the EOC.

### Storms of March 11-13, 2006

**PLEASE NOTE**—Individuals needing assistance should first contact the **FEMA Help Line to Register – 1-800-621-FEMA (3362)**. The line is staffed from 8am-6pm, 7 days/week.

#### Situation:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced that 23 counties would be added to the federal disaster declaration that resulted from the severe storms that moved through the state in early March. FEMA announced that all 23 counties would be eligible for Individual Assistance (IA) programs (assistance for individuals, homes, and businesses). Additionally, four counties that were previously designated for Public Assistance (PA) programs (Categories A & B) will also now be eligible for IA programs. Missouri has submitted requests for Benton, Iron, Putnam, St Clair and Wright counties be added for all categories of Public Assistance.

IA programs are now available for people in a total of 36 counties statewide (Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Cooper, Greene, Henry, Hickory, Howard, Iron, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Mississippi, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, New Madrid, Newton, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Putnam, Randolph, St Clair, Ste Genevieve, Scott, Saline, Taney, Vernon, Webster, Wright). The state of Missouri is also requesting SEMA/FEMA Joint Damage Assessments for Individual Assistance in Crawford County and for Public Assistance Damage assessments for Lawrence and Vernon Counties.

Four Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) have been opened in the affected areas. The DRCs offer affected persons a facility where they can get information on a wide variety of state and federal disaster relief programs. They will be opened from 9am-7pm Mon-Sat, and 12pm-6pm on Sun. DRCs are operating at the following locations:

- Nixa (Christian County) at the Community Center, 701 North Taylor Way.
- Monroe City, (Monroe County) at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 425 S. Locust St.
- Sedalia (Pettis County) at the National Guard Armory on the State Fairgrounds (2001 Clarendon Rd)
- Perryville (Perry County) at Perry Co. Health Dept., 406 N. Spring St. (Opened at 12pm today)
- Unionville (Putnam County) at Putnam County Fairgrounds, 615 North 22<sup>nd</sup> St. (State Route 5, North)
- Hermitage (Hickory County) at University of Missouri Extension Office, 208 Cedar
- Neosho (Newton County) at Cavalry Baptist Church, 2650 Oak Ridge Extension (Hwy 60 – Oak Ridge Exit)
- El Dorado Springs (Cedar County) at the First Baptist Church, 500 South Main

Farm Service Agency Loan Eligibility: Effective March 24, 2006, These 82 Missouri Counties are eligible for Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency loan assistance due to the severe storms and flooding which occurred March 11, 2006 through March 13, 2006: The counties are: Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Cooper, Greene, Henry, Howard, Iron, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Mississippi, Montgomery, Morgan, New Madrid, Newton, Phelps, Putnam, Scott, St. Clair, Taney, Vernon, Webster, Wright, Adair, Audrain, Barry, Barton, Caldwell, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Chariton, Christian, Cole, Crawford, Dade, Dallas, Dent, Douglas, Dunklin, Franklin, Gasconade, Hickory, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Laclede, Lafayette, Livingston, Madison, Maries, McDonald, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Osage, Ozark, Pemiscot, Pettis, Pike, Polk, Pulaski, Randolph, Ray, Reynolds, Saline, Schuyler, St. Charles, St. Francois, St. Louis, Ste. Genevieve, Stoddard, Stone, Sullivan, Texas, Warren, Washington and Wayne. Applications will be taken by the appropriate local county FSA office.

**Staff at the DRCs have assisted 538 people in the following locations as of close of business of the date listed:**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>Nixa</b>	<b>Paris</b>	<b>Perryville</b>	<b>Sedalia</b>	<b>Monroe City</b>	<b>Unionville</b>	<b>Hermitage</b>	<b>Newton</b>	<b>Cedar Co.</b>
March 19	8	4	-	0	-	-	-	-	-
March 20	22	14	-	12	-	-	-	-	-
March 21	18	9	-	9	-	-	-	-	-
March 22	10	5	-	16	-	-	-	-	-
March 23	15	12	-	21	-	-	-	-	-
March 24	13	11	2	32	-	-	-	-	-
March 25	11	5	7	8	-	-	-	-	-
March 26	1	2	1	7	-	-	-	-	-
March 27	9	3	5	16	-	-	-	-	-
March 28	6	7	6	14	-	-	-	-	-
March 29	4	5	2	12	-	-	-	-	-
March 30	1	4	3	16	-	-	-	-	-
March 31	3	3	4	17	-	-	-	-	-
April 1	2	5	3	9	-	-	-	-	-
April 2	1	1	-	3	7	6	-	-	-
April 3	2	-	2	6	2	12	4	-	-
April 4	2	-	1	10	7	5	2	-	-
<b>April 5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

Joint SEMA/FEMA damage assessments for Public Assistance (PA) programs are complete in 12 counties (Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Daviess, Henry, Jackson, Johnson, Monroe, Montgomery, Ray, and Washington). PA programs help local governments and qualifying non-profit organizations rebuild infrastructure and assist with extraordinary expenses incurred in responding to the disaster. In the original disaster declaration, Public Assistance was designated for Categories A & B in seven counties (Bates, Christian, Howard, Jefferson, Monroe, Montgomery, Washington). We also contacted local officials in Lawrence, Vernon, and Johnson Counties to see if there were any additional damages that were not identified during the initial assessment.

**Federal/State Actions:**

- ☐ The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) has been activated and is maintaining contact with local officials.
- ☐ A Joint Field Office with FEMA and SEMA staff has been in operation in rural Boone County since mid-March.
- ☐ Effective March 21, due to the Administrator's disaster declaration N847 in Arkansas, the United States Department of Agriculture has designated three Missouri counties as natural disasters for physical loan assistance. The three counties are: Butler, Dunklin and Ripley. This action made Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency loan assistance available due to storms, high winds and tornadoes, which occurred on March 9, 2006.

Other State Agency and Volunteer Agency Actions:

The Disaster Recovery Partnership (DRP) and Missouri Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (MO-VOAD) continue to meet any remaining emergency needs of persons affected by the disaster. DRP and MO-VOAD continue to convene member agencies to maintain collaboration and coordination.

AmeriCorp teams are operating in the field to assist local communities with special projects such as debris clearance for special needs populations. An AmeriCorp team continues to operate in the SEOC to facilitate coordination among partnership agencies, and to prepare Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COADs) for long-term recovery activities in hard-hit communities. A community meeting was held in Fayette, Howard County, on Wednesday, March 29. A COAD meeting, (inter-agency only) is scheduled for Thursday evening in Marshall, Missouri.

AmeriCorp continues to work with volunteers staffing the Missouri Tornado Hotline (866-254-0140). The hotline is open from **9am to 5pm, Monday-Friday** to process offers of donated goods, time or money, as well as requests for assistance. **300** calls have been taken since March 13, 2006, in the following categories:

DATE	REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE	DONATION OFFERS	VOLUNTEER OFFERS	OTHER (hang-up, etc)
<b>April 4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Total Calls	<b>175</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>14</b>

Fatalities/Injuries:

County	Fatalities	Injuries	Notes
<b>State Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>121</b>	

Damages to Homes

County	Destroyed	Damaged	Notes
<b>State Total</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>2837</b>	More than 750 additional homes affected

County Declaration Status for March 11-13 Storms:

County	IA	PA	Notes
-----	-REGION A-	-----	-----
Bates	Declared	Declared (Cat A & B) Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
Benton	Declared		PA damage assessment complete
Carroll	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
Cass	Declared		
Henry	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
Jackson		Requested (All Cat)	Pa damage assessment complete
Johnson	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
Pettis	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
Ray	Requested	Requested (All Cat)	IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
Saline	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
-----	-REGION B-	-----	-----
Chariton	Requested		IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
Marion	Requested		IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
Monroe	Declared	Declared (Cat A & B) Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
Putnam	Declared		
Ralls	Requested		IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
Randolph	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
-----	-REGION C-	-----	-----
Lincoln	Declared		
Jefferson	Declared	Declared (Cat A & B)	
Perry	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
Ste Genevieve	Declared		

Washington		Declared (Cat A & B) Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
-----	-REGION D-	-----	-----
Cedar	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
Christian	Declared	Declared (Cat A & B) Requested (All Cat)	
Greene	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
Hickory	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
Lawrence	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
Newton	Declared		
St Clair	Declared		
Stone	Requested		IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
Taney	Declared		
Vernon	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
Webster	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
-----	-REGION E-	-----	-----
Bollinger		Requested (All Cat)	
Butler	Requested		IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
Dunklin	Requested		IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
Iron	Declared		
Mississippi	Declared		
New Madrid	Declared		
Scott	Declared		
Stoddard	Requested		IA request denied by HQ-FEMA
-----	-REGION F-	-----	-----
Boone	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
Cooper	Declared		
Howard	Declared	Declared (Cat A & B) Requested (All Cat)	
Montgomery	Declared	Declared (Cat A & B) Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
Morgan	Declared	Requested (All Cat)	
-----	-REGION G-	-----	-----
Wright	Declared		
County	IA	PA	Notes
-----	-REGION H-	-----	-----
Daviess		Requested (All Cat)	PA damage assessment complete
-----	-REGION I-	-----	-----
Phelps	Declared		

### **Weather Outlook**

There is a moderate risk of severe thunderstorms this afternoon and early evening across parts of Eastern Kansas through Western Missouri from the Iowa line to Arkansas. Widespread severe thunderstorms appear possible including risk for very large hail, damaging winds and a few tornadoes....from the NOAA Storm Prediction Center – Norman, Oklahoma.

### **Point of Contact:**

SEMA Duty Officer after hours (Starting at 4:30 pm) number is 573-751-2748. During normal duty hour's calls should be made to 573-526-9100.

This Situation Report and other storm-related information may be viewed at the following web address:

<http://sema.dps.mo.gov/SevereStormsApril2006.htm>